



Charles Alvin McDonald

November 8, 1947 - July 10, 2021

There will be a visitation with the family of Charles Alvin McDonald from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at the Marshall Funeral Chapel. He was cremated at his request under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home.

Charles Alvin McDonald, son of the late Troy Alvin and Catherine Allene (Lacy) Clarke, was born November 8, 1947, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and passed away July 10, 2021, in Woodward, Oklahoma, at the age of 73 years, 8 months, and 2 days.

Charlie graduated from Enid High School, then attended college at NWOSU in Alva. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy and served a tour in Vietnam. He was united in marriage to Sue McAlister and to this union three children were born, Ralph, Cassandra, and Elizabeth. He worked as a field technician and assignment chief at Southwestern Bell until his retirement.

On November 11, 2000, he was united in marriage to Janet Faye Trimble at Eagles Bluff. on the Kragh Estate near Waynoka.

Charlie was a proud entrepreneur and Alva citizen. His accomplished business ventures included assisting with the opening of the City Cleaners, Floridino's Italian Restaurant, and assisting with the opening of Lorec Ranch, Charlie and Janet opened The Sandwich Shoppe in Alva, which he ran for

several years, and then The Antique Shoppe.

He loved his community and was always getting involved to make it better place to live. In his early years he was a member of Jaycees, and later Kiwanis. Charlie was on the Alva School Board, he joined Alva City Council, and was involved with the Alva Chamber of Commerce.

He was a member of the Grace and Faith Fellowship. He enjoyed fishing and was well known for his passion for antiques. He loved refinishing old things and making them new. He enjoyed staying busy and helping out anyone who needed him. He was a giver and loved to share anything he had with others. He loved visiting his adult children and grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Steve McDonald.

Charlie is survived by his wife, Janet, of Waynoka; one son, Ralph McDonald and wife, Kamber, of Medford; two daughters, Cassandra Mussman and husband, Chad, of Guymon, and Elizabeth Chaplin and husband, Nathan, of Independence, Kansas; one brother, Barry McDonald and wife, Sharon, of Little Rock, Arkansas; one sister, Cathy Byerly of Grand Rapids, Michigan; seven grandchildren; Charleton Lankford, Kaylee Rogers, Thomas Mussman, Collin and Mary Chaplin, and Lillian and Lacy McDonald; nieces and nephews, other relatives, and many friends. Charlie was also loved by Janet's children Kyle, Jennifer, Julie and husband Charles and their children, and Greg and wife Clarissa and their children.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation for Diabetes Research.

Previous Events

Visitation with Family

JUL 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home Chapel
230 Flynn
Alva, OK

Tribute Wall

CM

“ 1 file added to the album *Dad and Kids*



Cassandra Mussman - June 18, 2025 at 12:27 PM



“ *Charles Alvin McDonald*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM

PW

“ *To all the family members of Charlie....what a great guy that was ALWAYS friendly, polite, fun, caring, helpful, and was the character of which few of us will ever be blessed enough to have in our lives. I knew Charlie since the day he hit the streets of Alva and shared many joyful times together with him...but not enough. We could talk about anything and share our highs and lows. Will miss you Buddy. Paul Woodson OKC*

Paul Woodson - July 16, 2021 at 10:20 AM

CM

Thank you for your friendship to Dad, Paul. And thank you for the kind words. I miss you and your beautiful family.

Cassandra (McDonald) Mussman - July 21, 2021 at 07:37 AM



“ I was one of Charlie’s dialysis nurses, He was such an awesome guy. He was always upbeat. Everytime I asked him how he was doing he said “ I am blessed and highly favored!” He was such a sweet guy, he will be missed!

Janet Haskins - July 14, 2021 at 06:03 PM

CM

Thank you for taking care of my daddy! May God bless you Janet.

Cassandra (McDonald) Mussman - July 15, 2021 at 11:35 PM

PO

“ Peggy ONeil lit a candle in memory of Charles Alvin McDonald



Peggy ONeil - July 12, 2021 at 11:36 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Charles Alvin McDonald.



July 12, 2021 at 08:15 PM

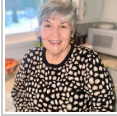
“ I would like to share six quick memories with Charlie. # 1 Charlie came to live with us when he lived on Harding and we lived on Oklahoma (just around the corner). He became a close friend at that time. #2 Charlie got married. My wife and I took him on his honeymoon to Yellowstone Park. We roughed it a bit. Charlie was yelling one night well after dark. A snake had crawled into his sleeping bag. I don't think he liked sleeping with snakes. #3 On the same trip, we caught several trout in Yellowstone River. We put them in a cooler and put them in the trunk. As we were headed down the road, a mama bear was at the side of the road so we decided to stop and toss her a couple of fish for her babies. With the trunk lid open and the fish in the air, the bear looked at the fish, looked at the cooler, and charged. There wasn't enough time to get back in the car so we dumped the cooler quickly and then got back into the car. Mama bear had a feast. #4 Charlie took Judy and me fishing at the start of our honeymoon. It was on one of Charles' favorite bass ponds. #5 We took Charlie and Sue to Hawaii on a vacation. They had been fussing a bit. I'll never forget Charlie was in front of the bus and belted out in song, "Please release me, let me go!" Without missing a beat, Sue came back with, "For I don't love you anymore!" It broke up the bus with laughter. #6 We had a good time with Charlie and Janet for a few short months. We met at a German restaurant in Waynoka on Saturday nights. It was just good being with them. One time we brought over to their house, what was Charlie's favorite dish as a teenager, enchiladas. I had substituted chicken for hamburger. Charlie just shook his head. It just didn't taste the same. Anyway, it was healthier. #7 is a number of completion. That one is saved for the future. I will be seeing you, old friend, where you are now and I will someday be. I don't know if there is fishing in the River of Life, but I think that can be arranged. We will have a different honeymoon. As guys, being the bride of Christ, seem strange, but that will be great, especially at that huge dinner table where we can dine and not gain weight. Streets of gold, Trees of Life. There is no need for sunlight as all will be bright with the Light of Christ. It was Annie who said, 'I think I'm going to like it here!'"

Craig Vickers - July 12, 2021 at 04:21 PM

CM

I love this Craig! Thank you for being such a great friend to my daddy! He loved you dearly.

Cassandra (McDonald) Mussman - July 12, 2021 at 06:22 PM



Thanks for sharing such great times with Charles. You were a great friend to him.

Cathy Byerly - July 13, 2021 at 06:49 AM

BF

“ *Barry McDonald and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles Alvin McDonald.*



Barry McDonald and family - July 12, 2021 at 03:57 PM

RL

“ *So sorry for your loss. Charlie was great friends with my father-in-law Jell Lambert when he was in Hooker, OK. We always enjoyed visiting with him...such a wonderful man! Our thoughts and prayers are with Charlie's family and friend. Nancy and Rick Lambert*

Rick and Nancy Lambert - July 12, 2021 at 01:18 PM

CM

We stopped and stayed with Jell and Evelyn when we would drive through on family trips. Good people. Thank you for your kind words.

Cassandra (McDonald) Mussman - July 12, 2021 at 02:42 PM

SS

“ It was always such a blessing and inspiration to see Charlie at church worshipping God. Watching him lift his hands to the Lord and sing His praises always touched my heart. I am greatly saddened to hear of Charlie's passing, though it is reassuring to know without a doubt where he is at now. Janet, we love you and are thinking of you and your family at this time.

Stacy Sanborn & family

Stacy Sanborn - July 12, 2021 at 10:02 AM

SK

“ I had the honor of having Charlie in my life for over fifty years as a wonderful friend. Charlie was always eager to help anyone who needed it and touched hundred of lives in the process. He was a true servant of God and will be greatly missed.

Steve Knox - July 12, 2021 at 09:21 AM

CM

Thank you for being a friend to my daddy Steve.

Cassandra (McDonald) Mussman - July 12, 2021 at 06:23 PM

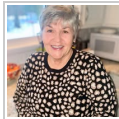
JV

“ Charlie was one of the most positive people I've ever met! He was one of my husband's best friends since childhood and he was the best man at our wedding 35 years ago. We loved going to visit him at his antique store, the Sandwich Shop and especially loved Florindino's Italian Restaurant he opened up.

Recently we wanted to see more of him so we committed to meeting him and Janet for dinner the first Friday of each month at Cafe Bahnhof German Restaurant & Biergarten in Waynoka. We had to stop when he had to be on a strict diet and started dialysis. We miss those dinners. I miss the fishing trips we used to go on with Charlie.

Charlie loved the Lord more than anything and Heaven gained an Angel. We love you Charlie and will miss you very much. Rest In Peace until we meet again. Judy Vickers

judy vickers - July 12, 2021 at 08:38 AM



Thank you for such kind words. He loved you and Craig. He was a wonderful brother to me. He would call me often to say, "I love you, sis."

Cathy Byerly - July 13, 2021 at 06:55 AM

CB

“ Charles was a tender, kind, loving brother, father, grandfather, husband and friend. When you asked him how he was doing he would say, "I am blessed and highly favored", and indeed he was. Rest in peace my brother, until we meet again.

Catherine Byerly - July 11, 2021 at 07:39 PM

PM

Charles was my first cousin who I loved and respected with all my heart. He worked hard all his life and dwelt with much strive in his younger years BUT kept his strong faith! You will forever live in my heart. We will all see you again on Heavens shores! Priscilla Lacy Morton-Bell!

Priscilla Morton-Bell - July 11, 2021 at 10:04 PM

GB

“ *Gail B. purchased the With Our Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket for the family of Charles Alvin McDonald.*



Gail B. - July 11, 2021 at 07:24 PM

CB

“ *Catherine Byerly purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Charles Alvin McDonald.*



Catherine Byerly - July 11, 2021 at 07:16 PM